

The Guam Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics is pleased to release the [March 2008 Current Employment Report](#)

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Total employment on Guam dipped slightly in March 2008 in the preliminary figures. While the job count declined in the latest quarter, the total remains slightly above what it was one year ago.

In the latest quarter, employment in Retail Trade declined by 140 jobs from the December holiday period. Several other industries showed slight declines this quarter including Construction, Manufacturing and Finance, Insurance & Real Estate. Over the year, Construction and Services were up somewhat bringing the private employment total up by 490 jobs.

Federal employment dropped 90 jobs in the latest quarter but remained up by 90 over the year. Government of Guam employment increased seasonally in March but declined by 310 jobs over the comparable period of one year ago.

In comparison to private sector figures, one quarter ago in March, average hourly earnings, average weekly hours paid and average weekly earnings were down slightly; they are virtually unchanged from the comparable period of one year ago.

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